

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS (1-20)

Claims 1-6 (withdrawn):

Claim 7 (currently amended): A handheld device comprising a touch panel display and a carrier frame, said carrier frame comprising at least one electrically conductive frame contact for establishing electrical contact with a touch panel, said frame contact having an upper end and a lower end; wherein said upper end resides at least in part within the touch panel display mounting surface and said lower end is electrically accessible by circuits resident within the confines of said carrier frame.

Claim 8 (previously presented): The handheld device of claim 7 wherein said carrier frame comprises a dielectric insert block.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The handheld device of claim 8 wherein said carrier frame comprises a metal.

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Claim 10 (previously presented): The handheld device of claim 7 wherein said frame contact is press fit.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The handheld device of claim 7 wherein said frame contact is molded into said carrier frame.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The handheld device of claim 7 comprising a plurality of frame contacts distributed over said touch panel display mounting surface.

Claim 13 (currently amended): A handheld device comprising a touch panel display, said touch panel display comprising a visible non-transparent conductive pattern adjacent to a visible adhesive dielectric spacer, wherein said visible non-transparent conductive pattern and said adhesive dielectric spacer have an approximately equal visual homogeneous appearance~~are visually homogeneous~~.

Claim 14 (original): The handheld device of claim 13 further comprising a carrier frame, wherein an electrical contact to said touch panel display is established at the interface between the mounting surface of said carrier frame and said touch panel display.

Claim 15 (original): The handheld device of claim 14 wherein said electrical contact to said touch panel display is established using an anisotropic conductive film.

Claim 16 (original): The handheld device of claim 14 wherein said electrical contact to said touch panel display is established using an anisotropic conductive adhesive.

Claim 17 (original): The handheld device of claim 15 wherein said carrier frame further comprises a protective rim.

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Claim 18 (original): The handheld device of claim 17 wherein said touch panel display is a near field imaging display.

Claim 19 (original): The device of claim 15 wherein said touch panel display is a resistive touch panel display.

Claim 20 (original): The device of claim 19 wherein said carrier frame further comprises a protective rim.
